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Field Crops

Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Cotton setting bolls is 80 percent complete, just behind last year's 84 percent and the five-year average of 88 percent. Cotton conditions are good to excellent. Most alfalfa is in fair to good condition. Harvesting is active on over three-fourths of the State's acreage. Range and pasture conditions vary from very poor to good, depending on location.

Arizona growers shipped seedless watermelons this week.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent			
	- Percent -							
Alfalfa	-	5	38	37	20			
Range and Pasture	20	20	34	20	6			
Cotton Condition	-	-	10	52	38			

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.			
	- Percent -						
Cotton							
 Setting Bolls 	80	75	84	88			
 Bolls Opening 	25	22	13	17			
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Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly normal across the State for the week ending August 8, ranging from 7 degrees below normal at Parker to 5 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon. The highest temperature of the week was 113 degrees at Paloma. The lowest reading at 49 degrees occurred at Grand Canyon.

Precipitation was recorded in 18 of the 22 stations this week. Maricopa received the least at 0.04 inches of precipitation and Flagstaff received the most of 1.82 inches of precipitation. Five of the 22 weather stations have below normal precipitation to date, mostly in the northern areas of the State.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
August 2, 2010 - August 8, 2010								
	Temperature			Precipitation				
				_	Past	Jan. 1	Departure	Percent
Station	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Week	to Date	From Normal	of Normal
Aguila	84	4	104	68	0.19	8.49	2.93	153
Buckeye	90	-2	112	72	0.1	5.97	2.17	157
Canyon De Chelly	71	-4	91	53	1.05	7.58	2.49	149
Coolidge	88	2	110	70	0	5.81	1.66	140
Douglas	79	2	98	64	0.34	6.83	-0.02	100
Flagstaff	63	-4	81	50	1.82	17.21	4.36	134
Grand Canyon	65	5	84	49	0.9	9.01	-3.22	74
Kingman	85	3	104	63	0	4.03	-1.4	74
Marana	89	4	108	72	0.8	7.26	1.36	123
Maricopa	90	1	110	71	0.04	4.41	0.45	111
Paloma	89	-3	113	69	0.34	4.04	0.35	109
Parker	84	-7	103	63	0	3.61	1.19	149
Payson	75	0	93	59	0.2	14.73	2.96	125
Phoenix	93	1	112	77	0.08	6.97	3.17	183
Prescott	72	-1	93	58	1.07	9.04	-1.83	83
Roll	89	-4	112	66	0.22	3.34	1.94	239
Safford	82	-1	101	65	1.03	7.28	2.61	156
St. Johns	72	-3	89	57	0.55	5.59	-0.29	95
Tucson	87	2	104	72	0.1	7.66	1.68	128
Willcox	80	3	99	65	0.32	9.05	2.57	140
Winslow	75	-4	94	57	0.66	4.88	0.88	122
Yuma	95	2	111	80	0	3.78	2.38	270
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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